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## Dear Consist

With further reference to my letter of a couple weeks ago, hike and I have been talking about the matter of reimbursement and wanted to write you again about it.

What we can't understand is why they investigated us so theroughly before we left, if it was their intention to cancel the deal. Why should they want to know Mike's character and whether or not be could be trusted, etc., if they had no plans for our trip. Strange, isn't it?

Another item to think about..., why was the representative from Boston so anzious to dome and talk with us and made several calls to do so. He questioned Mike about Minsk and the area, and derivally if they had cancelled the plan they wouldn't be interested after we returned???? It just doesn't seem a fair way to do business. Seems that even if whoever made the agreement was not in their employ now, all records pertaining to the agreement should have been on file and gone through regular procedure. Mike was also curious to know why the man from Boston wanted to know our relationship to you, that is; was Mike related and how? Why all the interest in a relationship?

Why couldn't we write to person in charge in Washington, D.C. and inquire further? The authorities should realise one does not make arrangements for such a trip over night, and it takes much time and planning. Ho one could pack their bags and dash over there in one day.

We will wait for further word from you, and advise whether or not we can write to someone on this matter.

Best regards to everyone,

Sincerely,

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